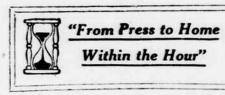
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WASHINGTON, D. C., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1915.—TWENTY-FOUR PAGES.

# OF CAPITAL BEST

Commissioner Newman Looks Democrats Delighted; G. O. P. Being Taken Today at Railin Vain for Better Managed City.

RETURNS FROM LONG TOUR STRONG DOUBT IS FELT IN QUEST OF NEW IDEAS

in Support of President Wilson.

Enthusiastic over the showing of Washington in comparison with other cities that have adopted the commission form of government, and impressed by the practically unanimous sentiment he found in the south and middle west for President sioner Oliver P. Newman returned today from a three-week trip that took him to Atlanta, Mobile, New Orleans, Houston, Oklahoma City, Des Moines, Dayton and

"The support the President has in lowa, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and other states through which I passed was the thing that impressed me most," said the Commissioner. "With but one or two exceptions, every person to whom I talked, on trains, in hotels and ather places where one makes acquaintances on a trip of this kind, was a stanch Wilson supporter. The confidence the country has in the President makes it inconceivable how he can be defeated for re-election."

#### To Study City Governments.

Mr. Newman's trip was to enable him to find out what progress other cities that have adopted the commission form of government are making, and, as a starter, he visited Atlanta, where the old mayor and city council plan is still in operation. After comparing the government of this municipality with the administrative systems of the cities he visited later Mr. Newman was con-

The commission plan is working out alisfactorily in all the cities where it is a operation, and municipal development long all lines has been greater than their former governmental regimes he stated. The modern system has not increased taxes, but there is a disposition on the part of the governed to be more in authorizing expenditures for im-lents, as they feel that there is less mity for fraudulent or wasteful

opportunity for fraudulent or wasteful expenditure of funds by a commission, the Commissioner said.

The city manager plan, which is being tried out at Dayton, Ohio, Mr. Newman found particularly interesting, although he says this method has not passed the experimental stage, and he would not recommend it for Washington until there is greater opportunity to judge of its practicability.

#### One Weakness of Plan.

The one outstanding weakness of this plan, he points out, is that so much centralized in a single individual that it would be possible for impense abuses to be practiced, though, publican party. on the other hand, this same centraliza-

corporation in the municipal adminis-trative machinery of the National Cap-

#### THREE WITNESSES HEARD AT TRIAL OF MISS GLYNN

Labor Leader Charged With Inciting Riot Among Mill Workers at Paterson, N. J.

PATERSON, N. J., November 20.-Three state witnesses testified today at if the second trial of Elizabeth Gurley the night of February 25, 1913, there was no rioting, nor did the strikers thus far is against Taft, attempt to enter the mill. The prosecution contends that after several hundred striking operatives had listened to a speech by Miss Flynn the Strikers went to the mill in an atstrikers went to the mill in an attempt to force operatives at work there

ufer, a foreman of the Miesch mill. He testified to having seen the crowd outside the mill, but said there was lit-Fitzpatrick, an employe, gave sin

#### RADIUM SANATORIUM READY. New York Dispensary for Cancer

Treatment Opens Tomorrow. NEW YORK, November 30 .- The present with the exception of Repre first radium dispensary in this city will sentative Rainey, who was at work be installed tomorrow, when the New York with the House ways and means com-

# GOVERNMENT PLAN BULL MOOSE PLAN STIRS THE CAPITAL

Leaders Decline to Be Panicky.

IF ROOSEVELT WILL RUN

### Take Ground From Under Progressives

Democratic and republican politicians in Washington were highly interested today in the action of the progressive all the meeting held in New York city yesterday. The executive committee prac-Wilson and his policies, District Commis- tically launched a third party for the presidential campaign of 1916. The committee resolved to put

head the ticket, and to call a meeting the two Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, next in Chicago to provide for a na-Mississippi, Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, tional convention to be held after the conventions of the two old parties. According to the reports of yesterday's meeting, it was the belief of some of the executive committeemen that Col. Roosevelt will respond to the demand for his candidacy for the presi-

### Perkins Reviews Situation.

George W. Perkins was quoted after he meeting as saying:
"The progressives, of course, will

"In the first place I do not look for Hughes' nomination. He has said he would not run under any circumstances. Again, progressives throughout the country, and I have traveled it extensively, insist upon a ticket of their own. And it certainly looks as though they would have it. I told you months ago I look for four presidential tickets next year. The progressives are disposed to go right ahead and nominate. That was the unanimous sentiment of the national executive committee at today's meeting."

Republicans were not disposed to be tion gives the public a greater oppor- panic-stricken, however, at first blush tunity to keep tab on how its affairs over the proposed revivification of the tunity to keep tab on how its affairs are being managed.

"Eventually, any graft that might be practiced under this plan would be detected," said the Commissioner, "but it is my opinion that a city manager, if he were so disposed, could steal enormous sums of money before being caught."

over the proposed revivification of the bull moose party. They cited the practical evidence of the return of the former bull moosers to the old party furnished in the election returns of 1914 and of the 2d of this month.

They said further, each man speaking for his own state and district, that they had personal knowledge of the attitude of influential progressives in their own political radius and knowledge.

caught."

Under this plan there is a commission of five members, elected by the people, which determines all questions of policy, while the administrative work is left entirely in the hands of the city manager.

Compared, department for department, Washington, according to Commissioner Newman, has the most efficient government of any city he visited. He did not find any important municipal reforms being tried out elsewhere that he will recommend for in-

ple proposition of continuing the demo-crats in power or returning the repub licans, including themselves, to trol.

#### Look for a Reunion.

It was further said by republicans that there is now every reasonable indication that the regular republican national convention will witness reunion that the regular republican matter and the regular republican matter and the regular republican matter and the results of the recently purchased by the Atlantic transport line, a subsidiary of the International Mercantile Marine Comdication that the regular republican naof the two wings of the party and pany. agreement upon a candidate who can be

countenance, not to say head a revolt, if the republican national convention agrees upon a candidate acceptable t Glyan, a labor leader, charged with in-citing silk mill strikers to riot, that although they saw between 250 and 400 defeat President Wilson and the demo-crats and he has said them. strikers outside of the Miesch mill on crats, and he has said time and agair that he will accept practically any can-

The first witness today was William Members of Joint Committee Exchange Views Preparatory to Presenting General Findings.

> The joint select committee of Congress investigating the fiscal relations between the United States and the District of Columbia today got down to work on its report, which it must submit to Congress by January 1. All of the members of the committee

# STEPS TO RELIEVE FREIGHT BLOCKADE

road Conference in New York.

CARRIERS PUT EMBARGO ON THE ATLANTIC YARDS

Impressed by Sentiment in Country Republicans Expect Convention to Between 40,000 and 50,000 Cars are at Seacoast Yards Waiting to be Unloaded.

> NEW YORK, November 30.-The presidents, or their representatives, of national executive committee at its into New York city met today at the Pennsylvania terminal, Jersey City, to consider ways and means for relieving the freight congestion which has become acute during the past few The meeting follows the ac straight "bull moose" presidential tick-et in the field; to ask Col. Roosevelt to more and Ohio yesterday in declaring embargoes on export steel from New of the national committee January 11 York, and the conference lent strength to the report that the railroads wil tional convention to be held after the co-operate on uniform embargo rules. The steel embargo applies solely to this port.

The Baltimore and Ohio railroad placed an embargo on iron and steel articles for export through New York. Embargo on Grain.

#### The Pennsylvania railroad placed em bargoes on export flour and lumber at

New York and on all export grain a Philadelphia and Baltimore. The Lackawanna began an embargo

yesterday on various forms of freight

"The progressives, of course, will nominate a straight ticket. We have a wealth of material from which to choose a ticket, while the republicans have a dearth. We have Roosevelt of New York, Johnson of California, Beveridge of Indiana and Bird of Massachusetts. Match any one of them if you can.

"The republicans have Weeks of Massachusetts, Burton of Ohio, Root of New York and Penrose of Pennsylvania. And let me tell you that they are seriously talking of nominating Penrose."

"But suppose the national convention should deadlock and Hughes come out of it? Would it be possible for the progressives to indorse him?" he was asked.

"In the first place I do not look for the choose a ticket, while the resulting the number of grain from Buffalo and other lake points, as the Lackawanna regulates the grain move ment by restraining the number of cars at Buffalo.

Although in many cases railroad men have been loath to discuss present freight conditions, it is known that between 40,000 and 50,000 freight cars are now at or near New York terminals waiting to be unloaded. Every freight terminal in this district has been running under top speed for several weeks. But the number of loaded freight cars in yards has increased so rapidly that three of the trunk line roads were forced to declare embargoes, and all of the other lines have found it necessary to take determined action at once.

#### Want to Extend Demurrage.

C. C. McCain, chairman of the Trunk Line Association, is now in Washington conferring with the interstate commerce commission in an effort to obtala permission, it was stated, for the member railroads to extend the privi-

tickets next year. The progressives are disposed to go right ahead and nominate. That was the unanimous sentiment of the national executive committee at today's meeting."

Democrats Are Delighted.

The comment today of politicians in Washington upon this affair varied. Democrats, of course, were delighted at the news, and wished more power to the elbow of the bull moosers working to reinsert this wedge into the re-

#### Guarding Loaded Cars.

as well as upon the facilities of the ultimate expenditure of about \$15.000.

railroads. terminals. Three thousand cars loaded power in the District of Columbia and with export steel were said to be in to increase the water supply. It is genthe yards at Hollidaysburg, Pa., closely erally understood that the whole popuguarded by railroad policemen until lation of the District would benefit they can be sent on their way. This later through cheaper light and elecmaterial, valued at approximately \$10,- tric power. 000,000, consists largely of steel car parts, wheels, etc., for Russia, which will be routed through the Panama

to assist in relieving the export

agreement upon a candidate who can be supported by progressives and republicans. In such event, it was said, the licans. In such event, it was said, the licans convention, to be held after the republican convention, would fall flat. fall flat.

No well informed republican in Washington believes that Col. Roosevelt will don-New York service are the K countenance, not to say head a revolt, if the republican national convention agrees upon a candidate acceptable to the progressive sentiment. It is well known to even the rank and file of the politicians that his one aim now is to lefeat President Wilson and the demonstrate of the progressive sentiment. It is well known to even the rank and file of the politicians that his one aim now is to lefeat President Wilson and the demonstrate of the progressive sentiment.

## SUSPEND STOCK OPERATIONS.

Trustees of Stock Exchange in Tokio Take Unprecedented Action.

TOK10, November 30, 2:15 p.m. ransactions, owing to an exceedingly strong but fictitious upward movement wide fluctuations. Tempestuous scenes greeted announcement of the rustees' decision. War purchases by the allies have

caused a wave of prosperity all over the country, which have been reflected market and standard stocks leaped upward. there was a hysterical advance yesterday's close.

## STOPS WIDOWS' TAG DAY.

Chicago City Council Revokes Permit to Collect.



FODDER.

# HE PLANS TO PUSH **FALLS POWER BILI**

Senator Norris to Urge Action at Coming Session of

Congress.

Senator Norris of Nebraska intends unprecedented demand for freight cars States Engineer Corps, calls for an

Every precaution is being taken to While the project primarily is to fur-

#### Favored for the Future.

Secretary Garrison of the War De canal. There is also a considerable tonnage of bridge steel.

Announcement was made today that five large steamers flying the American flag have been transferred from the Pacific coast business, and will shortly enter the New York-London in his estimates for the coming year. in his estimates for the coming year any appropriation for the plant Notwithstanding the attitude of the administration regarding the building of the pwer plant at this time, Senator Norris intends to do all he can to ge

favorable action on the proposition Congress He said today there been a thorough investigation made by Col. Langfitt, which had cost the gov-ernment \$20,000, and that he believed

#### Secretary Garrison's Letter.

of Washington at an estimated cost of indictments. \$15,021,600. "It was the view at the time and un-

til recently that work for increasing Trustees of the stock exchange took the water supply should be commenced motion which is sandwiched into nearly by several New York suffragists, they unprecendented action today when they suspended operations and canceled nual report this year the then District prosecution and the defense, argument They will be entertained the control of the first proceeded to Newark.

Against Partial Development.

# SHOOTING IN U. S. BUILDING WOULD END WAR

Mr. McAdoo Permits Use of Space for Practice Fostered by National Association.

Secretary McAdoo has given the use of the basement of the government building at the northeast corner of 15th and E streets northwest for rifle prac tice among civilian clubs of the Dis trict, it is announced by the National Rifle Association of America, the executive committee of which held a the construction of the proposed Great made an appropriation to put the range Col. William Libbey of New Jersey, president of the association, said the between Austria and Italy. It says: Secretary of War is to ask Congress for an appropriation of \$50,000 for the Every precaution is being taken to While the project primarily is to furnational board for the promotion of prevent added congestion at Atlantic nist; the government with light and rifle practice, for general use in protections to the property of Columbia and moting rifle training among civiliance. The association voted to petition Con gress for a national charter and an annual appropriation of \$25,000.

## **COURT DENIES PLEAS** IN CONSPIRACY CASE

Lose Every Point in Their Contention

NEW YORK, November 30.-Counsel for the four Hamburg-American line officials on trial for conspiring to de ernment \$20,000, and that he believed the findings in this investigation should be used to the advantage both of the government and the people of the District.

In his letter to Senator Norris, in which he reiterates the stand taken by him some time ago in regard to the probability by him some time ago in regard to the protection.

Federal Judge Howe, presiding at the trial, heard the argument in the absence of the jury. Judge Howe denied the defendants' motion to strike from ceive and defraud the United States assailed by legal argument today the sumably by a submarine. sented by witnesses against them, and feet the defendants' motion to strike from record all testimony concerning "This project proposes the combina- the chartering and movements of the tion of a power development and an steamer Marina Quesada and, an hour tion of a power development and an steamer Marina Quesada and, an hour NEW YORK, November 36.—Miss increase of the water supply of the city later, overruled a motion to dismiss all Frances Jolliffe and Mrs. Sara Bard

## Arguments Elaborated.

Far from being the usual perfunctory in the near future. However, in his annual report this year the then District Engineer Commissioner reported that on account of the installation of meters and other measures taken to reduce the consumption per capita, it would appear that the work, so far as the increase of the water supply was concerned, need not commence before 1920, and that experience may then show it safe to postpone commencement for several years more. The adsideration of mean future must therefore depends the near future must therefore depends upon the advantages expected from the power development.

The economics of the development have been questioned in some quarters. The estimate cited above contemplated the generation of only power sufficient to meet the needs of the federal and District governments.

Against Partial Development,

be installed tomorrow, when he seeved to read a maintenance of the committenance of cancer and other diseases. But the members of the committenance of the committenance of the committenance of the maintenance of the committenance of the maintenance of the maintenance of the committenance of the maintenance of the committenance of the maintenance of the maintenance of the committenance of the maintenance of the committenance of the maintenance of the maintenance of the committenance of the maintenance o

# WITH ITALY, CLAIM

#### Austrian Attempts Reported From Rome—Significance Seen in Kaiser's Visit.

meeting last night. The association Mall Gazette, associating Emperor Wil- France, Great Britain and Russia, guar- Montenegro started with the whole of Guarding Loaded Cars.

The heavy movement of grain coming at a time when great quantities of the construction of the proposed Great made an appropriation to put the range liam's visit to Vienna with reports that Germany is willing to enter upon peace at a time when great quantities of the construction of the proposed Great made an appropriation to put the range in working order, so that proper independence and constitutions of Greace.

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The first order in the convertion of Greace made in the convertion of Greace made in the convertion of Greace made in the convertion o goods and manufactured products were today. His bill, which is based upon of Washington who are organized in that, as already suggested, the emperbeing rushed toward New York for a report made during the Sixty-second rifle clubs in the Interior Department, or's trip to the Austrian capital may export, railroad men added, made an Congress by Col. W. C. Langfitt, United navy yard and in other walks of life. represent a fresh attempt to bring is held, have full liberty of action un-about conclusion of a separate peace of the terms of the treaty and will against Montenegro has now begun. "Some features of Italy's attitude may lend encouragement to such an enterprise. The government at Rome for reasons never disclosed, has refrained from declaring war on Germany, and has shown no particular by the entente allies as reflected in eagerness to co-operate with the allies the semi-official statement issued in

> render of territory wherein she claims a national interest, great pressure may be roops for other regions." The Tribuna asserts that Austria is attempting to conclude a separate peace, ac cording to a dispatch from Rome to the Exchange Telegraph Company.

#### STEAMSHIP DOTTEREL. BRITISH CRAFT, IS SUNK

teamship Dotterel has been sunk, pre-The Dotterel, 1,596 tons gross and 276

#### ENVOYS ON THEIR WAY.

Woman Suffragists, Bearing Petition to Washington, Leave New York. Field, the California envoys, who crossed the continent bearing a woman suffragette petition to President Wilson today resumed their trip. Accompanied

Denmark permitting commodities to be re-exported from Denmark to neutral

# GREECE EXPECTED TO MEET DEMANDS

Messages to Legation in London Indicate Satisfactory Solution of Issues.

#### ATHENS OPPOSED TO INFRINGEMENT ON RIGHTS

Negotiations for Treaty Between King Constantine's Government and Turkey Said to Be On.

LONDON, November 30.-The teno of official messages to the Greek legation here corresponds with newspape dispatches as to the satisfactory na ure of the Greek government's reply to the entente ministers.

"The basis of Greece's reply is neutrality which will continue benevolent to the entente as long as the sovereign rights of Greece are not in fringed and no restrictions of a mili tary character are imposed," telegraphs the Athens correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company.

"Greece argues that with Saloniki and its railway communications in the hands of the allies, Greek forces will hands of the allies, Greek forces with be deprived of their only adequate pro-visioning base. There is no indication that the entente will modify its orig-inal demands, but both the government and diplomats are hopeful of a satis-factory result."

#### Turko-Grecian Pact Sought.

asserts that negotiations are pending between Turkey and Greece for the have now left the city, and, acformation of a union similar to that cording to reports, are retiring in between Greece and Rumania. The pro-German element in Greece is said good order. Bulgarian occupato hope the negotiations will prove the basis for a new Balkan alliance, with Greece, Bulgaria and Turkey as the initial members.

The capture of Price of the capture of the

#### Allies Not Violating Greek Soil, Says Paris: **Berlin Answers Claim**

PARIS, November 30.-The entente Saloniki expedition was criticised as a

## Can Act Elsewhere.

Their action at Saloniki, it is further said, could be repeated at any other point has just given out the following conin Greece, and with perfect legality. The cerning the Montenegrin campaign: landing of allied troops at Saloniki is based on the London treaty of July 13, ations against the Serbian main army LONDON, November 30 .- The Pail 1863, the signatories of which are Greece, the Austro-Hungarian offensive against

Allies' Statement Denied. BERLIN, November 30, by wireless to Sayville, N. Y .- The position taken n restoring the situation in the Bal- Paris to the effect that the landing "If it is believed in Berlin that Italy can tion of Greek territory, is contradicted evacuated. The Serbian army is reby the Overseas News Agency.

employed at Vienna to bring about such against Greece fail to clear up the scribed by the central powers as financial saturation," the agency says. "How-lished, and though practically the whole nounce her sovereignty.

> roops at Saloniki. The Greek con parliament is the only body which possesses the right to decide such questions. Therefore King Constantin merely defending the integrity of the constitution against conspiracy, which shows that reproaches directed against him have no just basis.
>
> "The French and British attempts to compel a small neutral nation to consent to the measures taken proves that the entente thinks might is right."
>
> Germans Take Action Against Maj. Winchell of Salvation Army.
>
> JERSEY CITY, N. J., November 30.—
>
> Maj. Wallace Winchell of this city, who

# SPANISH KING KEPT BUSY

the Temps from Madrid says:

etters, begging for his intervention in return. Besides his American passport, favor of civilians or soldiers made pris- Maj. Winchell carried personal letters oner or condemned by courts martial in from President Wilson and the Secre-Germany and Austria. "King Alfonso tary of State, Mr. Lansing. attends to this correspondence person- Maj. Winchell is an American, but ally and the steps deemed necessary are king often stays up far into the night awaiting telegraphic replies to his appeals, so that he can forward their contents at once to waiting relatives."

#### ADDRESS GOES TO PRINTER. President Finishes Document After Working All Day.

President Wilson's address to Congress went to the public printer today. The President put in the whole of yes- production in the United States, have terday at work on the document, finally completing it last night.

primarily with national preparedness.

# SERBS EVACUATE MONASTIR AS FOE PRESSES ON CITY

ONE CENT.

Berlin Announces Capture of Prisrend, Near the Albanian Border.

#### **AUSTRIANS ADVANCE UPON MONTENEGRINS**

Whole Force Thrown at Enemy Following Close of Serbian Operations.

GERMANS ARE RETARDED

Enterprise Against Franco-British Armies Possibly Delayed Owing to Weather or Russian Menace.

LONDON, November 30.-Monastir, in southwestern Serbia, has been evacuated. Serbian troops, having accomplished their purpose of delaying their enemy's advance until the civil population A telegram received from Bucharest of the town had time to escape.

The capture of Prisrend. in western Serbia near the Albanian border, was announced today by the Berlin war office.

Either bitter winter weather has retarded the central powers allies in disembarking troops at Saloniki has retarded the central powers are not violating Greek territory, nor can in their proposed new enterprise their action in Greece be compared to the German occupation of Belgium. This against the Franco-British troops is the semi-official reply to the German near Strumitsa or the rapidly statement recently made in which the developing Russian menace from Saloniki expedition was criticised as a violation of foreign territory.

The presence of the allies at Saloniki does not need any justification, according to the diplomatic view made known in Paris. The French and British are not tolerated guests, but are there as a matter of duty and established right, it is pointed out. the direction of Rumania has

### Austrians Move on Montenegro.

The Overseas News Agency of Berlin "After the termination of the oper-In the belief that Greece is menaced ations in the Sanjak. After having obwithout, the allies, it tained this result the general offensive continue the work begun, certain of the international legality of their trail fortress, the attack will be directed action.

#### from the Sanjak. The Austro-Fiun-garians already have passed the Lim river." Bulgars Cross Cerna.

A dispatch to the Times from Florina, Greece, dated Saturday, says: "The Bulgarians yesterday crossed of troops at Saloniki was not a viola- the River Cerna. Monastir has been

tiring in good order." "Reports from various sources con-cerning French and British threats garian campaign against Serbia is Though the Austro-German and Bulever, the general tone of the news from of Serbia is in their possession, they French and British sources indicates have not accomplished, according to clearly that Greece has been asked to reportant aim of entirely crushing the Attempts to justify this course are Serbian army. Though defeated and all in vain. M. Venizelos, the former worn out in the conflict against overpremier, had not the right under the whelming odos, the Serbian forces are constitution to sanction the landing of said to be still unbroken and undetroops at Saloniki. The Greek con-stitution states, in clause 99, that the Albanian and Montenegrin frontiers preparatory to fresh action

## BARRED FROM BELGIUM.

was selected by Gen. Bramwell Booth as head of the Salvation Army relief AIDING WAR PRISONERS work in Belgium, has been denied permission by the German government to PARIS, November 26.—A dispatch to mation received here by his wife. Maj. winchell cabled to her that a passport "King Alfonso has received 100,000 has been refused him, and that he may

went to Belgium on orders from the international headquarters of the Sal-

#### GERMANY BUYS COPPER.

#### Orders \$40,000,000 Worth to Be Stored During War. NEW YORK, November 30 .- Orders

for copper aggregating about 200,000, 000 pounds, nearly one-fifth the annual been placed by German representatives with copper concerns in this country, it The message, which is comparatively brief, will be read by the President at a joint session of the two houses of Congress a week from today. It deals have been filled the metal has been strous."

2,000,000 to Be Photographed.

BERLIN, November 30 (by wireless to Sayville).—Two million persons have been ordered by the German governor general of Poland to have photographs taken, in order that passports may be issued to all over fifteen years of age, according to the Overseas News Agency.

In the strous."

primarily with national preparedness, other questions on which the President hopes to see legislation being left for treatment in other addresses to be read to Congress after the Christmas holitotays.

The address was read to the Cabinet before it was sent to the printer. Cabinet was taken, in order that passports may be issued to all over fifteen years of age, according to the Overseas News Agency.